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STUART STRIFE STILL A-STIRRING

Walter Edward Harris Gets a Glimpse of Specifications.

DOESN'T LOOK ROSY FOR GENERAL'S SON

Possibly the Most Serious Objection to the Newport News Collector is His Methods of Campaigning for the Republican Party.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 8.—A new, peculiar, and from the viewpoint of Captain J. E. B. Stuart, a dangerous turn was given to his case relating to his confirmation as collector of the port of Newport News, by the sub-committee of the Committee on Commerce to-day.

This sub-committee was charged with the duty of considering the charges made against Captain Stuart by business men and others of Newport News. It was appointed a month or more ago, and appears to have gone into the case pretty fully. The sub-committee reported to-day to the full committee, and asked that it be furnished with a stenographic report of the evidence taken by Civil Service Commissioner Cooley a week or two ago, when he went to Newport News and investigated the charges against Mr. Stuart. The Senate committee will direct that the evidence be supplied the sub-committee, and the latter may even go so far as to have Commissioner Cooley before it. Mr. Cooley simply reported to the committee his verdict, and did not attempt to give an opinion on the evidence taken. The sub-committee prefers to have all the evidence, and did not manifest a very hearty interest in the findings of the commissioner, as expressed in his verdict.

The Times-Dispatch correspondent was allowed to see, to-day, for the first time, a copy of the charges against Mr. Stuart. These have hitherto been kept from the public. They number twenty, and in substance are as follows:

Charges Against Stuart.

That Captain Stuart conspired to reduce Eubank and Morecock, two Democratic attaches of the Newport News Custom House, and also to discharge four Democratic inspectors, violation of the civil service law in June, 1905.

That Captain Stuart, after being recommended by the President and ordered to resign, refused to do so, and planned to evade obedience of such order, even offering to have the pay of some inspectors of customs increased \$1 a day, "if they would keep up the work, so he would not have to put two Democrats on again."

MANY INDICTMENTS FOR MANSLAUGHTER

(By Associated Press.)
CHARLESTON, W. VA., March 8.—The special grand jury empaneled to fix the responsibility for the explosion at Detroit mine, which killed twenty men, returned indictments to-day for involuntary manslaughter against Mine Superintendent J. F. Miner, Mine Boss R. E. Townsend and the Detroit and Kanawha Fuel Company. Two true bills were returned in each case. No indictment was returned against Mine Inspector Bonnerhill, whom the coroner's jury also held for involuntary manslaughter.

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(By Associated Press.)
KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 8.—Charles M. Schwab, arrived in Kansas City from the West in his special car over the Rock Island Railroad this afternoon. To an Associated Press representative he said that he was only slightly indisposed, the result of three weeks of almost constant traveling. He was in fine spirits. Mr. Schwab left at 9:15 o'clock to-night over the Chicago and Alton Railroad for St. Louis.

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JOHN BULL MAY PULL DOWN ARMY

Amazing Expression of British War Secretary Regarding Attitude.

OFFICIAL URGES LESS EXPENDITURE

Secretary Haldane Thinks Present Strength is Sufficient to Take Care of England and Cautions House of Commons About Army.

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, March 8.—In introducing the army estimates, amounting to nearly \$150,000,000, in the House of Commons to-day, War Secretary Haldane announced that the navy at its present strength was capable of defending Great Britain from invasion and though this strong navy was a costly thing it was very useful as it made it possible to cut off much of what otherwise would be necessary army expenditure. In pursuance to this principle of dependence on the navy, it had been decided that the ammunition stores constructed for the defence of London were unnecessary, some 350 guns mounted for defence purposes at various points along the coast would be swept away, the troops at Wellswell (China), would be withdrawn and some colonial garrisons would be reduced. These changes did not involve an enormous sum, but marked the beginning of economy. Mr. Haldane wished the nations would consider together whether a reduction could not be made in the armament burden, which was pressing on every civilized nation. He was opposed to conscription.

ENGLISH SPINNERS MAY SETTLE IN THE SOUTH

(By Associated Press.)
DUBLIN, GA., March 8.—It is stated that the English spinners are endeavoring to purchase one hundred and forty-five thousand acres of land in this section of the State, on which to grow cotton. There are in Laurens county 2,000 acres of the land in question. This land is the property of Norman W. Dodge, of New York. It is said that recently an Englishman and a man from Virginia approached the Georgia agent of Mr. Dodge and asked for a price on this land. A trade was not made, but the two men went on to New York to conclude the negotiations with Mr. Dodge personally.

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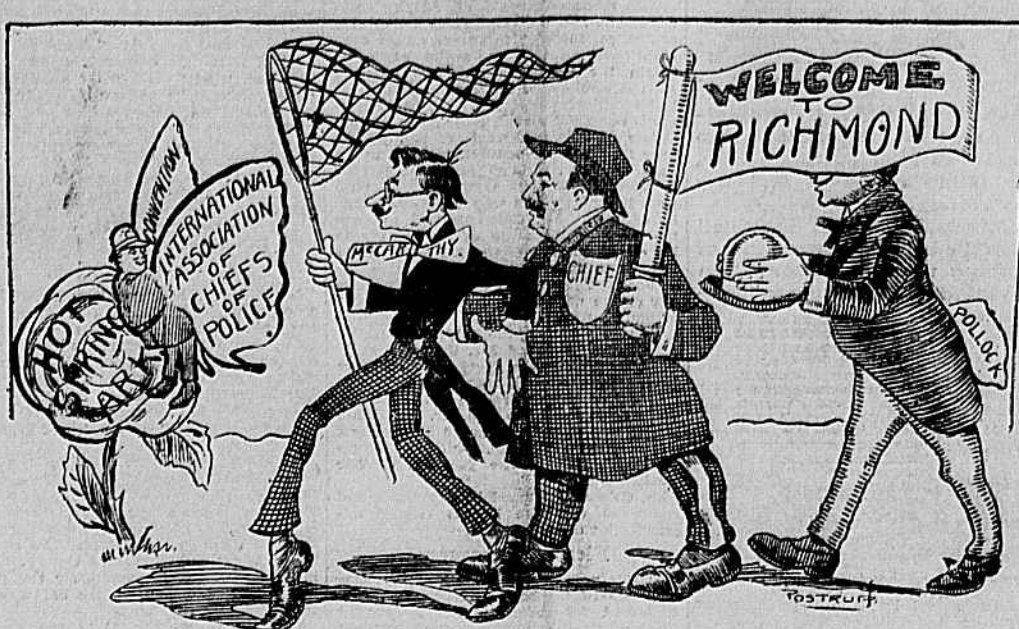
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GOING AFTER THE CONVENTION!

HON. B. T. GORDON WINS IN A WALK

Nelson County Lawyer is Made Judge of the New Twenty-Ninth Circuit.

BUTTON INSURANCE OFFICER

Clerk of Senate Heads New Bureau—Mr. Haas Wins Easily for Judge.

(By Associated Press.)
Twenty-fifth Circuit—T. N. Haas, Rockingham.
Twenty-sixth Circuit—E. S. Turner, Fauquier.
Twenty-seventh Circuit—W. E. Burns, Russell.
Twenty-eighth Circuit—R. E. Boykin, Isle of Wight.
Twenty-ninth Circuit—B. T. Gordon, Nelson.
Insurance Commissioner—Joseph Button, Appomattox.

Above is found the result of the action of the Democratic joint caucus held last night to choose candidates for judges of the five new judicial circuits and for insurance commissioner. Of the six places only two were contested. In the Twenty-fifth Judicial Circuit, Colonel R. F. Ledy, of Page, opposed Mr. T. N. Haas, but the vote in favor of Mr. Haas was so overwhelming that Senator Fulton, one of Colonel Ledy's leaders, gracefully moved to make the nomination unanimous, which was done. The vote stood: Haas, 71; Ledy, 57.

The other fight was in the Twenty-ninth Circuit. Mr. C. L. Scott, of Amherst, withdrew in the afternoon, leaving Hon. B. T. Gordon, of Nelson; Hon. E. W. Hubbard, of Buckingham, and Mr. Paul Pettit, of Fluvanna, as the candidates. The vote as first cast was: Gordon, 53; Pettit, 31; Hubbard, 11, but there were many changes from Hubbard to Gordon, and before the vote was announced, the nomination of Mr. Gordon was made unanimous, on motion of Mr. McRae, the leader of the Hubbard forces.

Haas a Winner.

The uncontested judgeships were first disposed of, with the result indicated. When the Twenty-fifth Circuit was reached, Senator Kezell placed in nomination the name of Mr. T. N. Haas for judge. Mr. Kezell spoke eloquently of the qualifications of his candidate, and he pleaded that Rockingham had not had the distinction of a resident circuit judge in the life of the present generation. He declared that Rockingham composed the largest part of the circuit; that the would have the major portion of the business, and that there the judge should live. Mr. Kezell said his candidate was a man in love with the law, and one who would reflect great credit upon the bench. Mr. Byrd nominated Mr. R. F. Ledy, of Page, in a speech of force and strength, contending that the circuit was created for the relief of Rockingham, and that she should not claim the judge. He said Page did not desire to go into the circuit, and he pleaded earnestly for Mr. Ledy. Messrs. Jennings and Mitchell.

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Virginia—Unsettled weather, with rain Friday; colder in west portion; Saturday, fair, fresh and variable winds, becoming wet.

North Carolina—Fair Friday and Saturday; fresh northwest winds.

Conditions Yesterday.

The weather here was warm and cloudy. Range of the thermometer: 9 A. M., 44; 6 P. M., 47; 12 M., 48; 9 P. M., 46; 3 P. M., 48; 12 midnight, 45.

Highest temperature yesterday, 49; lowest temperature yesterday, 42; mean temperature yesterday, 45; normal temperature for March, 49; departure from normal temperature, -4.

Thermometer This Day Last Year

9 A. M., 41; 6 P. M., 42; 12 M., 40; 9 P. M., 43; 3 P. M., 41; 12 midnight, 41 (Average, 41.5.)

Condition: In Important Cities.

(At 8 P. M., Eastern Time.)

Place	Ther.	High.	Time	Weather.
Alexandria, N. C.	48	48	4	Rain
Augusta, Ga.	48	48	4	Rain
Atlanta, Ga.	48	48	4	Rain
Charlotte, N. C.	48	48	4	Rain
Chicago, Ill.	38	40	4	Cloudy
Cincinnati, O.	38	40	4	Cloudy
Cleveland, O.	38	40	4	Cloudy
Dayton, O.	38	40	4	Cloudy
Indianapolis, Ind.	38	40	4	Cloudy
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Memphis, Tenn.	38	40	4	Cloudy
Mobile, Ala.	38	40	4	Cloudy
New Orleans, La.	38	40	4	Cloudy
New York City	44	46	4	Cloudy
Philadelphia	44	46	4	Cloudy
Pittsburg, Mo.	44	46	4	Cloudy
Raleigh, N. C.	44	46	4	Cloudy
Savannah, Ga.	44	46	4	Cloudy
Tampa, Fla.	44	46	4	Cloudy
Washington	44	46	4	Cloudy
Wilmington	44	46	4	Cloudy

ETHEL BROWN WAS INDICTED MEN EXPECTED FATE

Body of Mysterious Woman Found in French River is Identified.

SCHOOLMATE TELLS STORY

John Coney Recalls His Childhood Days With Ethel As Playmate.

(By Associated Press.)
CINCINNATI, OHIO, March 8.—Mrs. Ethel Geachy Brown, whose dead body was taken from the Seine, near Paris, France, yesterday, was a native of Fayetteville, Ohio, from which place she removed after the death of her parents twenty years ago to some unknown place.

When the first word came from Paris of Ethel Brown's mysterious death in the River Seine, residents of Fayetteville did not associate the beautiful young woman with the young girl who had left their little village years ago. John Coney, however, for many years a resident of Fayetteville, recalled Ethel as one of his childhood playmates. He said:

"I remember the Geachys very well. The family moved away from Fayetteville about twenty years ago, and since that time I have not heard of them. They were French immigrants, and it is possible that they returned to France. John Geachy was a prosperous farmer and raised a large family of children, who were great favorites in the social circles of the countryside. Ethel, or Ettie, as we called her, was a young girl, scarcely in her teens when the family moved away from Fayetteville, and of course, at that time was unmarried. None of the girls, so far as I know, married any one by the name of Brown."

SOUTHERN EXPRESS MAN SHOT BY AN ENEMY

(By Associated Press.)
CHATTANOOGA, TENN., March 8.—Roswell Marshall, a clerk, to-day shot and killed James Burdick, connected with the Southern Express Company. The shooting occurred on the street in the crowded shopping district. The cause is supposed to have been an old quarrel.

IF OLSEN CAN ONLY WIN HIS SIXTY-THIRD

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ASHEVILLE, N. C., March 8.—Charles Olsen, of Asheville, who last night defeated "Snid" Link of Baltimore, winning his sixty-second consecutive victory, to-night announced that he would accept the challenge of Frank Gotch, the American wrestler. The men will meet in this city March 23rd or 24th.

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